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Plaintiffs Donald Wortman, William Adams and Margaret Garcia ("Plaintiffs") seek an order allowing them to file a placeholder complaint and summons in case number 07-cv-05634-CRB, for service to defendants Cathay Pacific Airways, China Airlines and EVA Airways ("Defendants"). Plaintiffs' have been working with a process server to serve the complaint, summons and other supporting documents to all defendants located outside the United States.

Defendant Cathay Pacific Airways is located in Hong Kong. Defendants China Airlines and EVA Airways are located in Taiwan. Defendants in Hong Kong require service through the Hague Convention. Defendants located in Taiwan require service through a Letter Rogatory.

For service in Hong Kong, a special administrative region of the People's Republic of China ("PRC"), the local authorities refuse to accept or serve any Hague Request with pleadings that imply that Hong Kong is not a part of China or that imply that Taiwan is not a part of China.

For service in Taiwan, also known as Republic of China ("ROC"), the designations "Republic of China," "ROC," or any references to the "State" or "Nation" of Taiwan cannot be included in the pleadings or in the Letter Rogatory (due to the United States' diplomatic relations). If such language is contained in those documents, it must be removed, since such references are a diplomatic faux pas and will result in the U.S. State Department's refusal to handle the documents.

PURSUANT TO PLAINTIFFS' ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Plaintiffs may redact references to "Hong Kong" and "Taiwan" from the complaint and summons in case number 07-cv-05634-CRB, for purposes of service to the Defendants located in Hong Kong and Taiwan. Prior to serving the placeholder complaint and summons, Plaintiffs must file a notice of a placeholder complaint and summons in case number 07-cv-05634-CRB. The notice of a placeholder complaint and summons must ///



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